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The House met at 2:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:

Merciful God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

Continue to guide the destiny of these United States. Bless the Members of this assembly.

Grant that all their deliberations give rise to understanding and that amity prevail in the people's House.

By Your divine inspiration, may we as a Nation reach the destiny You have in mind for us.

May all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2577, TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016; PROVIDING FOR PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PERIOD FROM JUNE 23, 2016, THROUGH JULY 4, 2016; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 797 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 797

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2577) making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the conference report to its adoption without intervening motion. During consideration of the conference report, the second sentence of clause 1(a) of rule XIX shall not apply.

SEC. 2. It shall be in order without intervention of any point of order to consider concurrent resolutions providing for adjournment during the month of July, 2016.

SEC. 3. On any legislative day during the period from June 23, 2016, through July 4, 2016—

(a) the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and

(b) the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time, within the limits of clause 4, section 5, article I of the Constitution, to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment.

SEC. 4. The Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 3 of

this resolution as though under clause 8(a) of rule I.

SEC. 5. It shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of June 23, 2016, or June 24, 2016, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules as though under clause 1 of rule XV. The Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or her designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this section.

SEC. 6. Upon adoption of the conference report specified in the first section of this resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 139 shall be considered as adopted.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WOMACK). The gentleman from Texas is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, this rule provides for consideration of appropriations for Zika response and for Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and provides for necessary authorities over the district work period.

I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the resolution.

The previous question was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, isn't it customary, when we debate a rule, that the hour is divided 30 minutes on each side?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentleman asking for a recorded vote?

Mr. MCGOVERN. I had a parliamentary inquiry, which I was not recognized for, wanting to know where our 30 minutes was in the debate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has announced a result. Is the gentleman asking for a recorded vote?

Mr. MCGOVERN. Absolutely, but I would like to know where our 30 minutes are.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

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